OLDER YOUTH POLICY UPDATES

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Subject(s)

- 1. Older Youth Updates
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- 4. Youth in Transition Updates

1. Older Youth Updates

FOM 722-03C, Older Youth: Preparation, Placement, and Discharge

Education is added to the list of what a caseworker should be monitoring when a youth is placed in Independent Living.

Under Placement of an MCI Ward with a Parent, for the requests for placement, the youth's current permanency goal must be permanent placement with a fit and willing relative (PPFWR). The option to have another planned permanent living arrangement (APPLA) as a permanent planning goal was removed.

Updated Workforce Investment Act (WIA) to Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

Information about Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVCF) added to Discharge Documents.

Reason: Central Office clarification

2. Consumer Credit Reports

FOM 722-06E, Consumer Credit Reports

When a child leaves care prior to turning 14 year old, the caseworker must recommend to the child's permanent caregiver that a credit check be performed to see if there is any fraudulent activity related to the child's name.

Reason: The Foster Child Identification Theft Protection Act, PA 285 of 2016

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3. YAVCF Updated Links

FOM 722 16, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVFC)

Updated link to FOM722-06H, Caseworker Contacts.

Addition of where to upload verification of eligibility and YAVFC Agreement.

Updated links to all forms.

Clarification that caseworker contacts for a YAVFC case are the same any other foster care case.

Clarification that if a youth quits volunteering, this a reason for case closure under MDHHS-Initiated Termination.

Reason: Correction.

4. Youth In Transition Updates

FOM 950, The Youth in Transition (YIT) Program

Clarification under Approved Expenses, a youth can only utilize YIT funding for first month's rent and security/utility deposit, and start-up goods if the youth is in care at the age of 18.

Orthodontia was added under Items Not Covered by YIT.

Sales tax is not to be paid on purchases made by MDHHS on behalf of a youth, with two exceptions:

- Reimbursement to youth for YIT eligible purchases that included sales tax.
- Sales tax due for the purchase of a vehicle.
- Removed use of DHS-1291 and added the use of the DHHS 5602, Payment Request.

Reason: Central Office clarification.

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